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FORM PTO-1390) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (REV. 10-2003) 1343.45016X00 May 18, 2005 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 7987 CFR 1.5) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PCT/JP02/12025 18 November 2002 TITLE OF INVENTION Seedling Pot for Raising Root Crop Seedlings APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Toshiyuki AIBA Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. 🔲 This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. 🖂 A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))) a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). 🔯 has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office(RO/US) 6. 🛛 An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. X is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made. 8. 🔲 An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. 🛛 An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. 🔲 An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. A preliminary amendment. 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. 🔲 A substitute specification. 16. A power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. 🔲 A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 18. 19. 🔲 A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

Other items or information: Figs. 1-8; Request for Examination and Search Form; Credit Card Payment Form; PCT

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Attachments

| U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 58 | | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. | | Į. | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER | | |
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| 21. The following fees are submitted: | | | | | CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY | | |
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| ⊠ c) Search f | ee | | \$200.00 | | | | |
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| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS= \$1,000.00 | | | | | | | |
| ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = | | | | | | | |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). | | | | \$ | | | |
| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | \$ | | | |
| Total Claims | 4 - 20 = | 0 | x \$50.00 | \$ 0.0 | 0 | | |
| Independent Claims | 2 - 3 = | 0 | x \$200.00 | \$ 0.0 | 0 | <u> </u> | |
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| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½. | | | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | | 00.00 | | |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | | | | | | | |
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| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | | | | |
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| a. A check in the amount of § to cover the above fees is enclosed. | | | | | | | |
| b. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 01-2135 in the amount of \(\subseteq \) to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. | | | | | | | |
| c. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposition Account No. 01-2135. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. | | | | | | | |
| d. Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. | | | | | | | |
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| International Application No. | International Filing Date | Attorney Docket No. |
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- 1. International Publication No. WO 2004/045270 A1.
- 2. International Search Report.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

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Application No.:

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Filed:

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For:

SEEDLING POT FOR RAISING ROOT CROP SEEDLINGS

REQUEST FOR EXAMINATION AND SEARCH

May 18, 2005

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that a search and examination be conducted in the above-identified application. The necessary search fee and examination fee are enclosed herewith.

Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including excess claim fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (referencing case No. 1343.45016X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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